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News

Science Café Turns Kennedy Library Stairwell into Live Computer Game

On Feb. 10, the latest Science Café turned the main stairwell of the Kennedy Library into a large-scale, interactive game intended to extend the world of computing into the physical space. The event, called DIY Physical Computing at Play, featured Los Angeles designers Scott Hutchinson and Michael J. Newman leading a hands-on experiment. Participants learned how to design and build a game using an Arduinos (an open-source electronics platform) and breadboards (reusable electronic test boards analogous to circuit boards) and determining the strategy and layout of the physical game board. The event culminated with a tennis ball target competition in the stairwell. Scoring monitors broadcast the players' success electronically, with an online scoreboard updating automatically to track the competition.



Science Café is an informat speaker series that features experts exploring scientific topics. The events involve stories, demos, hands-on activities and question-answer sessions. Find out more about the DIY Physical Computing at Play event [online here](#), or [visit the library's Science Café site](#) for more about the program.

Survey Gauges Interest in SLO-Denver Direct Flights at Local Airport

The San Luis Obispo County Visitors and Conference Bureau in partnership with the SLO County Regional Airport, Economic Vitality Corporation and SLO County Air Transportation Alliance (SLOCATA) have set out to prove to airlines that a direct flight from San Luis Obispo to Denver is good for the airline business and good for the local business community. A new survey asks the business community their willingness to use and pay for direct service from San Luis Obispo to Denver. The survey is accessible through Feb. 17 at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/XHFDWVH>. This survey follows one conducted in 2009 that looked at travel patterns. Denver was the top destination market identified by the more than 2,000 survey respondents. Additional analysis by the airport's consulting firm demonstrated that while the local airport is doing well, it needs more flights to more destinations, and the No. 1 priority should be nonstop service to Denver. Airport officials have been in touch with airline carriers who agree the demand between San Luis Obispo and Denver is strong. Because of competitive pricing structures in the region, though, the airlines request the community demonstrate its willingness to pay for regional jet service. The new survey is meant to gauge that willingness.

Collaborative Agent Design Research Center Undergoes Leadership Change

After 40 years at Cal Poly and 25 leading the Collaborative Agent Design Research Center (CADRC), Jens Pohl retired as an active CAED faculty member and executive director of the CADRC. The center is now under the administrative auspices of the Office of Research and Graduate Programs, which is reflective of CADRC's renewed goals to encourage and participate in multi-disciplinary research. With Pohl's departure, Joanna Snyder assumed the role of director of operations and Hisham Assal is the director of research.

CADRC has two immediate goals: to reach out to the university in fields that may benefit from CADRC's long history of modeling, simulation, visualization and software development, support and management, and to work to enhance the collaboration between the CADRC's field research unit, the Knowledge Management Laboratory (KML) and various colleges on the Cal Poly campus. For more details about the center, visit www.cadrc.calpoly.edu. If students, staff or faculty would like to discuss opportunities for collaboration with the CADRC, they are encouraged to call Snyder at ext. 6-6360 or Assal at ext. 6-0237.

DigitalCommons@CalPoly and Academic Senate Collaborate on Archives

Academic Senate minutes, agendas and resolutions (AY 2000-2010) are now digitally archived on [DigitalCommons@CalPoly](http://digitalcommons.calpoly.edu). The content is organized in reverse chronological order and includes "jump to" drop-downs for easy browsing of past items. This collaboration increases availability to Academic Senate content, including in-text document search capabilities, permanent URLs and improved Google discoverability. In collaboration with University Archives, DigitalCommons@CalPoly will also be digitizing past meeting minutes, agendas and resolutions (AY 1968-1999) in the coming months. DigitalCommons@CalPoly promotes discovery, research, cross-disciplinary collaboration and instruction by collecting, preserving and providing access to scholarly work created at Cal Poly. The repository also provides access to relevant documents created by administrative offices, departments and programs at Cal Poly. Visit <http://digitalcommons.calpoly.edu/academicsenate/> to see the Academic Senate digital archives.

Retirements

Carol Schuldt

Carol Schuldt, GIS coordinator at Kennedy Library, is retiring from Cal Poly this month after 35 years. Her service includes contributions to the Reserve Room in Dexter Library as well as Circulation and Cataloging. In her current role, Schuldt has worked with campus faculty on a California Emergency Management Agency grant, produced GIS maps as part of the 2010 California State Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, and built relationships with GIS practitioners throughout the community. Please join us in wishing her well 2 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28 in Room 511 of the Kennedy Library.

Catastrophic Leave

Michelle Holland

Michelle Holland, credential analyst in CSM-Credential Office, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate vacation and/or sick leave to help Holland remain in full-pay status during an extended leave of absence should contact Espie Wilkinson at ext. 6-1503 or erwilkin@calpoly.edu to request a donation form.

Stephanie Lafferty

Stephanie Lafferty, library assistant in the Library Circulation Department, has qualified for catastrophic leave. Those wishing to donate vacation and/or sick leave to help Lafferty remain in full-pay status during a medical leave of absence may contact Cheryl May at ext. 6-5785 or csmay@calpoly.edu.

Campus Announcements

Network and Central Computing Outage Set for Sunday, Feb. 26

All central computing resources, campuswide wireless services and some departmental computing services will be unavailable from 5 a.m. to noon Sunday, Feb. 26. This outage is necessary to update security settings on equipment in the main campus data center. Affected systems include the my.calpoly.edu portal page and all applications reached through the "single click access" channel, email and calendar, all wireless service, PeopleSoft, the PolyData warehouse, health services resources, alumni and advancement resources, and System Status. Campuswide internet access for hardwired connections will be operational, and the Cal Poly web page will not be affected. Network Administration staff are communicating with local area network coordinators across campus to relay the impact of this outage to their areas. Questions can be referred to the ITS Service Desk at ext. 6-7000 or servicedesk@calpoly.edu.

Senior Projects Make Students Think

A recent survey conducted for the WASC self-study asked students how much their senior projects emphasized the higher cognitive skills of application, analysis, synthesis, and evaluation. More than 75 percent of respondents answered “very much” or “quite a bit” for all four. Additional survey results and other information on student learning are available in [the latest WASC report](#). A visiting team will be on campus April 3-5. For more information visit [the WASC website](#).

The Community Center Presents Soup and Substance: The "N" Word on Feb. 21

The Tuesday, Feb. 21 edition of Soup & Substance will focus on the "N" word, a controversial topic inside and outside the black community. This event will include stories from Cal Poly students about their experiences and opinions with the word. We will also discuss the "N" word in the context of hate crimes, history and hip hop. The discussion will provide a safe space and opportunity for students to share their opinions with respect for others. The event will run from 11 a.m. to noon in Chumash Left Wing, UU 204. Lunch will be provided by Student Community Services. For more information on Soup and Substance, [visit the Community Center website](#).

El Corral Sidewalk Sale Set for Feb 21-23; Save Up to 75 Percent

El Corral Bookstore will host its much anticipated sidewalk sale Feb. 21-23. Save up to 75 percent on select items. Stop by the bookstore between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Feb. 21-23. Or visit the bookstore online at www.elcorralbookstore.com.

Fee Waiver Open Forums Set for Feb. 22

Faculty and staff are invited to a Feb. 22 open forum on the Fee Waiver Program, which allows eligible faculty, staff and MPP employees and/or their dependents to attend classes at CSU campuses at greatly reduced rates. To accommodate faculty and staff schedules, the open forum will be held in UU 220 from noon to 1 p.m. Topics will include eligibility, procedures, deadlines and Summer Quarter information. Time will be reserved at the end of the presentation for questions and answers. For more information, contact Karen Stubberfield at kstubber@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-5407.

Student Financial Aid and Scholarship Deadline is March 2

The Financial Aid Office reminds the campus community and asks faculty and staff to let students know that the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) deadline is March 2. To apply for federal aid, state aid and Cal Poly scholarships, students must complete the FAFSA every year. Questions should be directed to ext. 6-2927.

Cal Poly Corporation Board Seeks Faculty Member

The Academic Senate is seeking nominations from tenured faculty to serve on the Cal Poly Corporation Board of Directors for the 2012-15 term. Interested faculty should complete [an “Expression of Intent and Willingness to Serve” form](#). A description of member's responsibilities is [available online here](#). The completed form must be received by the Academic Senate Office by Friday, March 2. Call the Academic Senate Office at ext. 6-1259 for further information.

Service Awards Luncheon Tickets Now On Sale

Tickets for the Service Awards Luncheon are now on sale. State, Corporation, and ASI employees with milestone service anniversaries in 2012 will be honored at the Service Awards Luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, in Chumash Auditorium. Master of Ceremonies will be Phil Bailey, dean of the College of Science and Mathematics. The luncheon will feature a pasta buffet. Entrée selections are pasta served with Italian sausage and peppers in a tomato sauce or mushroom Marsala sauce. Side dishes include classic Caesar salad with croutons, grated Parmesan and creamy Caesar dressing or garden salad with carrots, cucumbers, red onion, fennel and ranch dressing or balsamic vinaigrette, garlic bread stick, dessert, coffee, iced tea, and iced water. This event sells out each year, so get your tickets early. Tickets will be taken at the door to ensure seating for all ticket holders. Tickets are \$10. Make checks payable to “Cal Poly Corporation.” Sellers are Tracy Watson, ASI, ext. 6-1292; Geri Bolivar, Facility Services, ext. 6-2321; Cheryl May, library, ext. 6-5785; Colleen Rodriguez, Payroll, ext. 6-2606; and Jeanne Secrest, Corporation, ext. 6-1122.

Increase in Federal Work-Study Program Usage Lead to New Limits

Because of a significant increase in utilization of the Federal Work-Study (FWS) Program, there are a limited number of students with FWS funds. We regret that no new FWS awards will be made this academic year, and, at this point, increases in existing Federal Work-Study awards will not be considered. Should our utilization level out, the decision will be reconsidered at a later date. FWS was awarded to applicants with a high need who filed a FAFSA application before the March 2 deadline. Be sure to encourage students to complete the 2012/13 FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov starting Jan. 1. Since we were unable to grant additional requests for Federal Work-Study in 2011/12, students currently on the FWS waiting list will be given priority for FWS in 2012-13, providing they meet the need requirements and file their FAFSA before the March 2 deadline.

Teaching Abroad Opportunities for Faculty

International Education and Programs (IEP) administers quarter-long study abroad programs that provide faculty the opportunity to teach abroad. These programs travel to Australia, London, Peru, Spain and Thailand. IEP is seeking faculty with a record of teaching excellence and who teach GE courses students most need (C4 & D5), though all interested faculty are encouraged to apply. For more information, please go to the [IEP faculty website](#) or contact Jennifer O'Brien at jeobrien@calpoly.edu or ext. 6-7321.

Bella Montana Faculty and Staff Housing Community

Visit [the Bella Montana Homes web site](#) for available homes for sale and lease.

New Fondue for Two at Sage Restaurant – Dive into Decadence

Beginning this week, Sage Restaurant is offering a delicious new fondue menu. Treat yourself to a decadent fondue made with gourmet cheeses and spices, such as the Spinach and Artichoke or Five Cheese fondues. Or end a meal with a pot of chocolate fondue, served with luscious melted chocolate, mini marshmallows, fresh berries and cakes. Find out more at www.sagerestaurantslo.com.

Events

Documentary 'The Prosecutor' To Show Feb. 15

"The Prosecutor," which follows the work of Luis Moreno-Ocampo, chief prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, will air at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, in UU220.. Moreno-Ocampo investigates and prosecutes some of the world's most notorious criminals for some of the world's worst crimes. Before the documentary is shown, a reception with pizza and beverages will be held. After the screening, which runs about 90 minutes, Craig Arceneaux, Cal Poly Political Science Department chair, will join a panel of professors in a brief discussion. The event is free and open to the public. It is sponsored by Cal Poly's Political Science Club. For more information, contact political science student Katie Hoselton at 818-825-6916 or khoser@gmail.com.

Holocaust Survivor Albert Rosa to Speak Feb. 16

Even as the sole survivor of a family of 70, Albert Rosa chose not to speak of his Holocaust experiences for more than 50 years. Now in his 80s, he feels his story must be told. On Feb. 16 at Cal Poly, Rosa, a native of the Greek city of Salonika and current resident of Los Angeles, will share his memories of surviving the Auschwitz and Dachau concentration camps, a British prison and his life in the U.S. after World War II. Phi Alpha Theta, the History honors society, will present a talk by Rosa from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the Chumash Auditorium (left wing). The event is co-sponsored by the Multi-Cultural Center and seven College of Liberal Arts departments: History, Political Science, Modern Languages & Literatures, Ethnic Studies, Psychology & Child Development, English and Communication Studies. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call the History Department at ext. 6-2543.

Eve Ensler's 'The Vagina Monologues 2012' To Play Feb. 17-19 at Cal Poly

Cal Poly will stage its ninth annual production of "The Vagina Monologues" over President's Day Weekend in the Pavilion in the Performing Arts Center. Performances will be at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 17-18, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19. The production is

a benefit designed to raise awareness and funds to end violence against women and girls and is part of [the global V-Day movement](#). Tickets are \$15 and are on sale at the Performing Arts Center Ticket Office. Ticket Office hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. To order by phone, call SLO-ARTS (805-756-2787). The Cal Poly Gender Equity Center is sponsoring the event. Proceeds will go to the university's [Safer](#) program and the community's [Sexual Assault Recovery and Prevention Center](#), [The Women's Shelter Program of San Luis Obispo](#), [The North County Women's Shelter](#), and the [V-Day's Spotlight Campaign on the Women and Girls of Haiti](#). For more information, contact Michelle Houston at 805-698-2534 or mphousto@calpoly.edu.

Students Invite the Public to Stay 'Up 'til Dawn' for St. Jude's Feb. 21

Students from across campus will gather Feb. 21 for a letter-writing event aimed at helping St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital – and they hope the public will join them. The '80s-themed event, titled Up 'til Dawn, will be held from 6 to 11 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium and will feature live entertainment, free food, shirts, games and prizes. Envelopes, stamps, and pre-written donation letters will be provided; students will bring addresses and send letters to family and friends to help raise money for the children of St. Jude's Hospital. Fraternities, sororities, Cal Poly housing groups, sports clubs, local businesses, dance clubs, and many other clubs and organizations have already committed to this event. This event is open to the public. To attend, please bring at least seven addresses that can be used to send donation letters.

University of Exeter Professor to Speak Feb. 22 on Arab Spring, Israel/Palestine Peace Process

The History Department will present University of Exeter Professor Ilan Pappé on Feb. 22. Pappé will give a lecture on the Arab Spring and the Israel/Palestine "Peace Process." The event will begin at 6 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium. Pappé's research focuses on the modern Middle East and the history of Israel and Palestine. Recent publications include: "Peoples Apart" (2012); "The Bureaucracy of Evil" (2012); "The Forgotten Palestinians: A History of the Palestinian Minority in Israel" (2011); and "The Ethnic Cleansing of Palestine" (2006).

Provocative Perspectives to Feature Social Justice Educator and Author Paul Kivel Feb. 23

Paul Kivel, social justice educator, activist, writer, and innovative leader in violence prevention for more than 27 years, will speak Feb. 23 on campus as part of Cal Poly's Provocative Perspectives series. Kivel is an accomplished trainer and speaker on men's issues, racism and diversity, challenges of youth, teen dating, family violence, raising boys to manhood, and the impact of class and power on daily life. He is the author of several books and cofounded the Oakland Men's Project, a nationally recognized multicultural organization dedicated to helping people understand the roots of violence in our society and seek positive solutions. Kivel will speak in Sage Restaurant. A free breakfast will be served at 7:30 a.m., and the presentation will begin at 8 a.m. The event is free and open to the public, however, reservations are required. Reservations can be made by calling ext. 6-0327, or via e-mail to Liz Cofer at lcofer@calpoly.edu. People with disabilities may request accommodations.

See 'A Streetcar Named Desire' Feb. 23-25 or March 1-3

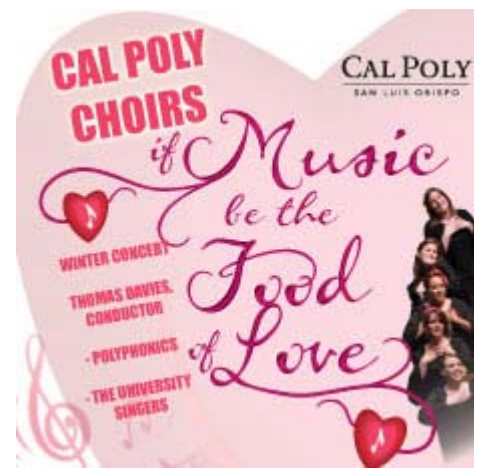
The Theatre and Dance Department will bring Tennessee Williams' classic play "A Streetcar Named Desire" to the Spanos Theatre at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, Feb. 23- 25 and March 1-3. "A Streetcar Named Desire" is considered a hallmark of the American theater. It follows the gradual unraveling of Blanche DuBois, a Southern belle of days gone by. Department chair Tim Dugan designed the sets, faculty member Thomas John Bernard created the costumes, and Peter Hadres from the Pacific Conservatory of the Performing Arts in Santa Maria served as choreographer. In addition, the production employs almost 40 students from across the Cal Poly campus. The production contains depictions of violence and brief nudity and is recommended for mature audiences. Tickets are \$15 for the general public, \$12 for students, seniors, and Cal Poly faculty and staff members. For tickets, call the Performing Arts Ticket Office at ext. 6-2787. [Find out more about "A Streetcar Named Desire."](#)

Cal Poly Choirs to Present 'If Music Be the Food of Love' Feb. 25

The Cal Poly Choirs will present "If Music Be the Food of Love" as this year's Winter



Concert at 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. Conducted by Music Professor Thomas Davies, PolyPhonics and The University Singers will be joined by student soloists. The subject of music and love has existed since the beginning of musical composition. The Cal Poly Choirs will highlight this partnership in a program of works by such greats as George Frederick Handel, Felix Mendelssohn, Claude Debussy and Benjamin Britten, as well as music by contemporary celebrated composers Morten Lauridsen, Imant Raminsh, David Dickau and Stephen Chatman. A new work by Music Professor Meredith Brammeier titled "In Commendation of Music," after a poem by William Strode, will have its world premiere. For more information, [visit the Music Department Web calendar](#).



Cal Poly Wind Bands Celebrate American Music at March 2 Concert

Local virtuoso performers Jennifer Dodson (horn) and Shelly Granger (flute) will be the guest solo artists for Cal Poly's Wind Bands Winter Concert at 8 p.m. Friday, March 2, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. The concert, titled "Wind Band Masterworks: 'The American Dream,'" will feature the university's 65-member Wind Ensemble and 70-member Wind Orchestra in celebration of music written by such great American composers such as Percy Grainger, Vincent Persichetti, John Williams and James Barnes. Music Department Professor Alyson McLamore will narrate on "Of Sailors and Whales" by W. Francis McBeth.

Cal Poly 'Just Jazz' Concert Set for March 3

Cal Poly's University Jazz Bands will present traditional as well as innovative jazz at the Just Jazz concert at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 3, in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. The concert features the best student jazz musicians at Cal Poly in two big bands and two jazz combos. Among the pieces to be performed are the classic "Swingin' Shepherd Blues," the contemporary "Are We There Yet?" by guitarist Pat Metheny, and the blues-drenched "Boogie Stop Shuffle" by the great jazz bassist Charles Mingus. For more information, [visit the Music Department Web calendar](#).



Cal Poly Symphony to Showcase Soloists at Winter Concert March 4

The Cal Poly Symphony's Winter Concert will celebrate the talents of student soloists and showcase the group's upcoming tour repertoire in a performance at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 4, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. The Student Soloist Showcase will feature performances by five winners of the Music Department's Solo Competition, plus Zoltán Kodály's Variations on a Hungarian Folksong, "The Peacock." The symphony will perform this piece in the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C., as part of their first out-of-state tour. For more information, [visit the Music Department Web calendar](#).

Job Vacancies

State Employment Opportunities

The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted at <http://calpolyjobs.org>. To apply, go online and complete the application form. For assistance, call Human Resources at ext. 6-2236.

*****INTERNAL RECRUITMENT OPEN TO CAL POLY EMPLOYEES ONLY (State, Corporation, and ASI)*** #102470 – Information Center Specialist, Community Services Specialist II. Administration and Finance, University Police, \$2,753-\$4,130 per month. Open until filled. Review begins Feb. 21, 2012.**

***** INTERNAL RECRUITMENT OPEN TO CAL POLY EMPLOYEES ONLY (State, Corporation, and ASI)*** #102471 –**

Administrative Analyst For Associate Vice President for Marketing and Enrollment Development, Administrative Analyst/Specialist-Non-Exempt, Academic Affairs. Admissions, Recruitment and Financial Aid, \$3,245-\$5,193 per month. Open until filled. Review begins Feb. 24, 2012.

#102473 – Administrative Support Assistant II, College of Science & Mathematics, Chemistry, Temporary, six-month position (.75) time base, \$1,878.75-\$2,818.50 per month. Closes Feb. 24, 2012.

#102474 – Academic Progress Counselor, Student Services Professional II, Office of the Registrar, Evaluations, \$3,519-\$5,002 per month. Open until filled. Review begins March 2, 2012.

#102475 – Administrative Support Coordinator I, Orfalea College of Business, Accounting & Marketing, \$2,808-\$4,212 per month. Close Date: Feb. 24, 2012.

#102478 - MRC Support Technician, Information Technology Consultant, Foundation, ITS, Media Distribution Services, \$3,424-\$5,466 per month (anticipated hiring range: \$3,424-\$3,766 per month). Close Date: Feb. 27, 2012.

Faculty Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit the online employment web site at <http://calpolyjobs.org> to complete an application and apply for any of the positions shown below. Submit all requested application materials as attachments to your online application, unless otherwise specified in the ad.

There are no new job opportunities at this time.

Corporation Employment Opportunities

Cal Poly Corporation is a separate corporation operating in concert with the university to provide a diverse range of services and resources to students, faculty and staff. To view job postings and/or apply for any regular-benefited position at Cal Poly Corporation, visit our [website](#). For assistance contact Human Resources at ext. 6-1121.

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Conference & Event Planning Manager, Conference & Event Planning, \$40,326-\$58,474 per year. Requires bachelor's degree in related field or equivalent combination of education and/or related experience. Must have minimum two years experience performing technical or administrative duties with high level of responsibility involving the coordination of complex activities and programs, preferably university-level conferences and events.

Floriculture Specialist, Horticulture & Crop Science, \$15.18-\$18.62 per hour. Requires bachelor's degree in ornamental horticulture, environmental horticulture or closely related field of science and knowledge of cultural requirements and growing of greenhouse floriculture crops. Must have California driver license and the ability to lift 50 pounds, climb ladders and frequently bend, stoop, kneel, stand or lift.

ASI Employment Opportunities

Candidates are asked to visit <http://www.asi.calpoly.edu> to complete an application and apply for positions listed below. For more information, contact the ASI Business Office in UU, Room 212 or call ext. 6-5800.

There are no new job opportunities at this time.

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